

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of: Rory A.J. Curtis and M.
Alexandra Glucksmann

RCE of Serial No.: 09/174,937

Filed: October 19, 1998 (RCE filed August 23, 2002)

For: *ISOLATED PROTEINS AND NUCLEIC ACID
MOLECULES HAVING HOMOLOGY TO THE NIP2
PROTEIN AND USES THEREOF*

Attorney Docket No.: AHN-061RCE
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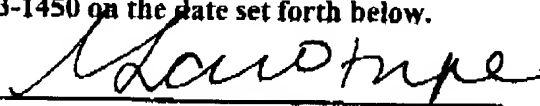
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This is a response to the Office Action dated May 23, 2003 (Paper No. 26). Responsive
to the Action, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on
page 17.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 21.

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